

## ROTARY ITEMS.

By L. T. Martin  
The Rotary club was put on trial at Wednesday's luncheon, held at the Merrill Hotel, when the Entertainment Committee, with the following officers of the Court, attorney's and witnesses held Kangaroo Court:

Judge—T. B. Duggan.  
Sheriff—J. A. Medlock.  
Court Clerk—L. T. Martin.  
Atty's for Prosecution—Daddy Dickinson, Erick Posey.  
Atty's for Defense—Skeeter Hunt, J. T. Hutchinson.  
Witness for Prosecution—O. L. Peterman, George Briggs.  
Witnesses for Defense—President Walter Myrick, Curtis (Hi Pockets) Keene, Secy.

Judge Duggan called Court to order and asked the clerk what the first case on the docket was.

Clerk: Your honor the first case on the docket is the case of the International Association of Rotary Clubs versus the Lubbock Rotary Club—to be represented by Cliff Hunt as Defendant. The Sheriff was instructed to bring the defendant. On being informed that the defense was ready the attorney for prosecution read the indictment to which the defendant pled "not guilty."

By the indictment and the evidence of the witnesses for the prosecution it appears the officers of the Lubbock Rotary Club, had neglected their duty in teaching Rotary to its members. O. L. Peterman testifying that Secy's, Hi-Pockets did collect his \$20.00 membership fee, was told he was a member and that was all there was to it. Said he had never been given any pamphlets to read that he did not know the Rotary Code of ethics. Was never asked to serve on a committee and if there was any committees he did not know it.

George Briggs testified practically to the same thing with the exception he was asked to sing at one of the luncheons at one time and said that was the best meeting the Rotary Club ever had. From the way this testimony was received, probably accounts for the lack of attendance after Briggs' sang.

The defense by its witnesses made a very creditable showing. President Walter Myrick testified that he had appointed the necessary committees but that some of them did not function as they should. Curtis (Hi-Pockets) Keen, secretary, testified that he distributed Rotary literature to each member as he was taken in as a member. They showed by their testimony they were not to blame for Briggs being placed upon the program to sing at the Rotary luncheon, that was done by an individual member who had charge of the entertainment for that luncheon. They admitted that the attendance dropped off for a meeting or two after Briggs sang but they were beginning to attend better now.

The attorneys for the defense in summing up the testimony of both the witnesses for the prosecution and the defense showed plainly that without doubt the fault—the charge of neglect on the part of the Club to teach Rotary to its members—lies not with the Club, but falls upon the individual members and committees

of the club. When each individual joined this club, he took upon himself an obligation:  
To attend meetings regularly.  
To pay my dues promptly.  
To do my part when called upon.  
To be big-hearted, broadminded man—a man of energy and action—a real man—a Rotarian."

Here, your honor, is where the blame lies. If each individual member of this club had lived up to his obligation which he took, had lived up to the principals of good-fellowship and services as outlined in the literature mailed him from International Association, no such outlandish, yet serious charge would ever have confronted this great organization. The name Rotary is known in every nation of this world because of the great good it is doing, because of the good fellowship it cultivates and because of the high principals that Rotary stands for.

We know that the people of Lubbock are aware of the fact that a Rotary Club exists here and that Lubbock Schools know of some good this Club has done.

If the Boys' Work Committee did nothing in a whole year but pick off our streets some unfortunate, cigarette smoking, dice shooting youngster, win his confidence and affection, place him in our schools and give him a chance, yea, if this whole Club did not accomplish but this one thing (while they will accomplish hundreds of others) we claim that this alone, the helping of one unfortunate boy to have a fair and square chance in life, is sufficient cause for this club to exist.

This appeal to the Judge won favor and the judge in finding said: The learned counsel who have argued the merits of this case have presented to you in a most forcible way the fundamental principles of the great organization of Rotary. I am therefore compelled to arrive at this conclusion that the fault lies with the individual members of this Club rather than with Rotary; that we have on trial here the wrong defendant, but I feel sure that with the information that has been gained at this trial, it will never be necessary to bring before this Bar the present officers of this Club. We have seen the result of slackness on the part of other executives and members of the Club and I am confident that we have learned our lesson. I therefore hold and so direct that the Rotary Club of Lubbock, be discharged with the solemn warning that a failure to carry out the teachings of Rotary in future will involve its officers in serious trouble.

Visitors present at Wednesday's luncheon as follows:

Judge I. R. Kelso, Attorney for Texas Utilities Co., Mr. H. Murdock, President of Texas Utilities Co., Mr. Allen, Local manager for Texas Utilities Co., were guests of the Club.

Nat Preston, of Wisconsin, and Dr. H. W. Burwell, Dallas, guests of Mr. Briggs.

W. B. Hilton, manager of Variety Store, of E. L. Robertson.

Richard Douglas of J. A. Wilson.

Rufus Rush of Earl Hunt.

C. E. Maedgen of L. C. Montgomery.

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of the new plant they were now building, assuring that the people of Lubbock and Lubbock territory would have a plant here to be proud of and that the service would be of the best.

Mrs. Nell Wright, wife of one of our prominent Rotarians decided she would go for a visit to the home folks at Sweetwater and stay until Neil sent for her. I see she is back again which leads me to believe that Neil must have telegraphed for her.

Mrs. A. B. Conley, wife of our two minute Rotarian, has been receiving callers at the West Texas Hospital for the past week. Glad to say she is now able to return home.

Mr. Nat Preston, of Wisconsin, is a brother of Mr. Geo. Briggs and is visiting at the Briggs home.

Dr. H. W. Burwell, of Dallas, who

was a guest of George Briggs, came here to be pastor of the First Presbyterian church for a few months. Dr. Burwell comes to us highly recommended as a minister and will be much appreciated by the people of his church. Welcome Dr. Burwell.

Bud Jones was not at Luncheon Wednesday. Don't think he likes this pencil pushers way of describing his trips, as he did not tell me which way this time. Possibly when he gets back I can get it out of him.

Woody is at Dallas attending the Baptist convention. Hope he attends Rotary luncheon there or is able to explain. Come to think of it Woody, it never pays to explain. Your friends don't require it and it don't make any difference about the other fellow. You know I tried it once.

Say you birds that belong to the Lubbock Rotary Club, if you want these news items to continue, tell me what is happening around your wigwags or some fine day you will be reading a lot of things in this column that you will be paying the real editor of the Avalanche to deny for you. Get busy now and have something for me next Wednesday. I can write the items, but I can not make the news.

WILL OPEN PUBLIC  
STENOGRAPHERS OFFICE

Miss Lois Duff, formerly employed in the Briggs-Dennan Insurance office has opened a Public Stenographer's office in the lobby of the Merrill Hotel, and will do all kinds of stenographic work. Miss Duff has lived in Lubbock since it was a very small town and we are sure she will receive a good patronage from the business men here.

MRS. ABNEY HAS CLEAR-  
ANCE SALE ON

Come and get your winter hat while the prices are low. A big discount is being made until December the 15th. Mrs. Clara Abney, Balmey Conley Store. 29-11

G. C. Barrier and party returned from a two weeks trip to the Rio Grande, where they had a very delightful outing.

FOR RENT—Three room house furnished. 1306 10th Street. 29-2p

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Attorney Percy Spencer was in attendance at the November term of District Court in Post City, the past week.

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B. L. Wright, who has been assisting the Bank force in the First National Bank at Lamesa, during the fall season returned home the past week. Mr. Wright reports business good in the South Plains city and states the farmers harvested a big cotton crop as well as good row crops.

Lloyd A. Wicks, attorney of Ball, Texas, transacted legal business in Lubbock Monday of the past week.

Mr. E. E. Wilson and Col. Paul P. Murray, were among the visitors from Slaton last Saturday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ed Abbott, accompanied by Mrs. Council, went on an automobile trip to Crosbyton, Floydada and Plainview Thursday.